UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA FORT MYERS DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v. CASE NO.: 2:23-cr-64-SPC-KCD

CHRISTOPHER JORGE PONCE

PRELIMINARY ORDER OF FORFEITURE

Before the Court is the United States' Motion for Preliminary Order of Forfeiture. (Doc. 42). Now that Defendant has been adjudicated guilty, the Government seeks a preliminary order forfeiting his interest in a Smith & Wesson 380 caliber pistol, model: M&P 380 Shield, serial number: NCH8001, and assorted ammunition loaded within the firearm, seized on or about December 30, 2022. See 18 U.S.C. § 924(d), 28 U.S.C. § 2461(e); Fed. R. Crim. P. 32.2(b)(2). In so moving, the Government has connected the Smith & Wesson 380 caliber pistol, model: M&P 380 Shield, serial number: NCH8001, and assorted ammunition loaded within the firearm to the adjudicated offense. The Court thus finds the United States is entitled to possession of the Smith & Wesson 380 caliber pistol, model: M&P 380 Shield, serial number: NCH8001, and assorted ammunition loaded within the firearm.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED:

The United States' Motion for Preliminary Order of Forfeiture (Doc. 42)

is **GRANTED**.

1. Defendant's interest in Smith & Wesson 380 caliber pistol, model:

M&P 380 Shield, serial number: NCH8001, and assorted ammunition

loaded within the firearm is CONDEMNED and FORFEITED to

the United States for disposition according to law and subject to 18

U.S.C. § 924(d), 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c), and Federal Rule of Criminal

Procedure 32.2(b)(2).

2. Jurisdiction is retained to the extent necessary to complete the

forfeiture and disposition of the asset.

DONE AND ORDERED in Fort Myers, Florida on December 21, 2023.

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